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# FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6026 NOTE PREPARED: Feb 3, 2003
BILL NUMBER: SB 137 BILL AMENDED: Feb 3, 2003

**SUBJECT:** Retention of election materials.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Landske

BILL STATUS: CR Adopted - 1<sup>st</sup> House

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL IMPACT: Local

DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> This bill makes election materials available to the public following an election after expiration of the period for filing a petition or cross-petition for a recount of votes or to contest the election. The bill requires a county voter registration office to keep confidential that part of election material necessary to protect the secrecy of a voter's ballot.

**Effective Date:** Upon passage.

# **Explanation of State Expenditures:**

#### **Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** *Summary:* This bill provides that specific election materials are to be made available for copying and inspection. The fiscal impact of this proposal is considered negligible.

*Background:* Statute provides that each county is required to establish a fee schedule for the copying of documents. The fee may not exceed the actual cost of copying a document. Actual cost includes the cost of paper and the per page cost for use of copying and does not include labor costs or overhead costs.

# **Explanation of Local Revenues:**

### **State Agencies Affected:**

Local Agencies Affected: County voter registration office.

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# **Information Sources:**

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